

**ABSTRACT**

A method and system for recognizing time. An embodiment of a method for recognizing a time includes receiving a set of coordinates from a capture device, the set of coordinates indicating where a set of marks was made on a paper form without the use of a graphical user interface, and mapping the set of coordinates to a time. The method enables a processor to accurately and quickly determine time information entered on a piece of paper attached to the capture device, independent of the user who enters the time information. Exemplary applications include a field survey and inventory.